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## COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR THE INDICATION OF ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

In the Office Action mailed on June 25, 2004, the Examiner provided a Statement of Reasons for the Indication of Allowable Subject Matter. Although Applicants agree that the present claims are allowable over the prior art of record, Applicants do not wish for the Examiner's reasons for allowance to be binding on Applicants in any manner. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully decline to accept the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for the Indication of Allowable Subject Matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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